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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

CHRISTOPHER PATTERSON,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:20-CR-00107-NODJ-BAM

PRELIMINARY ORDER OF
FORFEITURE

Based upon the plea agreement entered into between the United States of America and defendant Christopher Patterson, it is hereby ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED as follows:

1. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2253(a), defendant Christopher Patterson's interest in the following property shall be condemned and forfeited to the United States of America, to be disposed of according to law:

a. San Disk Micro SD Card, seized from defendant by law enforcement on or about September 25, 2019.

2. The above-listed property constitutes property that contains visual depictions produced, transported, mailed, shipped or received in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252(a)(2); and is property that was used or intended to be used to commit and to promote the commission of the aforementioned violation.

3. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b), the Attorney General (or a designee) shall be authorized to seize the above-listed property. The aforementioned property shall be seized and held by the U.S. Customs

1 and Border Protection, in their secure custody and control.

2 4. a. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2253(b), incorporating 21 U.S.C. § 853(n), and Local Rule
3 171, the United States shall publish notice of the order of forfeiture. Notice of this Order and notice of
4 the Attorney General's (or a designee's) intent to dispose of the property in such manner as the Attorney
5 General may direct shall be posted for at least 30 consecutive days on the official internet government
6 forfeiture site www.forfeiture.gov. The United States may also, to the extent practicable, provide direct
7 written notice to any person known to have alleged an interest in the property that is the subject of the
8 order of forfeiture as a substitute for published notice as to those persons so notified.

9 b. This notice shall state that any person, other than the defendant, asserting a legal
10 interest in the above-listed property, must file a petition with the Court within 60 days from the first day
11 of publication of the Notice of Forfeiture posted on the official government forfeiture site, or within 30
12 days from receipt of direct written notice, whichever is earlier.

13 5. If a petition is timely filed, upon adjudication of all third-party interests, if any, this Court
14 will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2253(a) in which all interests will be
15 addressed.

16 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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18 Dated: **May 24, 2024**


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE